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REMARKS

On 6/17/2004, a Final Office Action was lodged, causing the case to go abandoned on 12/17/2004. On 11/9/2005, a Petition to Revive was submitted together with an amendment that responded to the outstanding Office Action. The Petition was dismissed on 2/3/2006, because it did not place the case in condition for allowance. The accompanying Advisory Action, however, presumably prepared by the Examiner in the case, did not assert that the amended failed to place the case in condition for allowance, but rather that the amendment could not be entered because the case had been abandoned. That leaves the possibility that the Amendment was, in fact, sufficient to place the case in condition for allowance.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner erred, because if the Examiner considered the amendment and found it to place the case in condition for allowance, then the Petition to Revive would appropriately serve to revive the case, in which case the Amendment can be entered.

Nevertheless, the enclosed documents present a Renewed Petition to Revive, together with a Request for Continued Examination, to which the previously submitted Amendment is enclosed. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully,

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